पंजाब में शहरों का विकास

121. श्री मोहिन्दर सिंह कल्याण: क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) पंजाब में कितने शहरों का विकास करने हेतु सरकार ने आवश्यक कदम उठाये हैं;

(ख) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान इस संबंध में सरकार द्वारा जारी की गई धनराशियों का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) चालू वर्ष के दौरान सरकार ने इस प्रयोजनार्थ कितनी धनराशि आवंटित की है?

शहरी कार्य और रोजगार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा.यू. बेंकटेश्वरलू): (क) अब तक पंजाब में 22 कस्बों/शहरों को आई.डी.एस.एम.टी. योजना के तहत विकास हेतु लिया गया है।

(ख) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान आई.डी.एस.एम.टी. के तहत पंजाब सरकार को 127.35 लाख रु० की केन्द्रीय सहायता जारी की गई है। निम्नलिखित विवरणें के अनुसार:-

वर्ष	रु० लाखों में
1993-94	46.00
1994-95	36.35
1995-96	45.00
	127.35

(ग) चालू वर्ष के दौरान पंजाब के लिए 50 लाख रु० का नियतन करने का प्रस्ताव किया गया है।

Women Beneficiaries under the scheme of supply of improved tool kits to rural artisan

125. DR. (SHRIMATI) BHARATI RAY: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether under the scheme of Supply of Improved Tool Kits to Rural Artisans, women are included in the target group and are directly benefited;

(b) whether any special provision has been made to help rural women artisans; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA): (a) to (c) Under the Scheme of Supply of Improved Tool Kits to Rural Artisans, all traditional rural artisans including women living below the poverty line but excluding weavers, tailors, needle workers and bidi workers are eligible to receive assistance. No special provision has been made to help rural women artisans.

Kandla-Bhatinda Pipeline Project

126. DR. JAGANNATH MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Kandla-Bhatinda pipeline project, given to M/s Skoda export, was scheduled to be completed in February, 1995;

(b) if so, what is the present status of the project; and

(c) whether Government are aware that as a result of non-completion of the said project, Government have been losing annualy Rs. 100 crore and if so, what action is proposed to be taken against the firm?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) The contract regarding execution of Kandla-Bhatinda Pipeline Project (KBPL) was awarded by Indian Oil Corporation to a Consortium led by M/s. Skoda export and was to be completed in February, 1995.

(b) and (c) Kandla-Bhatinda Pipeline was taken into operation in phases from December 1995 to June 1996 and the entire pipeline from Kandla to Bhatinda is in operation except some of the major residual jobs of Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition, permanent Cathodic Protection and Panipat pumping cum delivery station. The bank guarantees of the contractor have been invoked by IOC for non-performance and recovery of unadjusted advances towards mobilisation and partial commissioning. The contractor has filed suit in Delhi High Court praying arbitration and the issue is sub-judice.